

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSES TO BPL FAMILIES

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of financial assistance/house sites provided to the rural BPL families for construction of dwelling units in the country;
- (b) the number of the landless rural families identified so far, State-wise, especially in Jharkhand;
- (c) the number of house sites allocated and financial assistance provided so far to shelterless and people living below poverty line; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide housing to the rural people?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI LALCHAND KATARIA)

(a): Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme is being implemented throughout the country including Jharkhand. Under the scheme, financial assistance amounting to Rs.45,000 per unit in the plain areas and Rs. 48,500 in hilly/difficult areas/IAP districts is provided to the rural BPL houseless household for construction of a house. Over a period of time, it has been noticed that many rural BPL households who have neither land nor a housesite get left out from getting the benefit under IAY because of non-availability of house sites. Accordingly, a scheme for providing homestead sites to such rural BPL households was started during the year 2009-2010 as part of IAY. Rs.10,000/- per homestead site is being provided under the scheme, the funding for which is shared by the Centre and the State in the ratio of 50:50.

(b): As per the estimates made on the basis of NSSO reports of 58th and 59th Round, there are 7.69 million rural households who do not have a housesite in the country and in Jharkhand it is 0.62 lakh. State-wise details are given at Annexure.

(c): Since inception of the Scheme, 297.13 lakh houses have been constructed/allotted to the rural BPL families with the expenditure of Rs.90459.89 crore and Rs.347.47 crore were released under Homestead Scheme for purchase of 6.95 lakh housesites.

(d): Targets under IAY are fixed on year to year basis depending upon the availability of funds. However, all efforts are being made by the Government to end shelterlessness in rural areas of the country. Budgetary Outlay for Rural Housing has been enhanced from Rs.1991 crore in 2001-02 with a physical target of construction of 12.94 lakh houses to Rs.11075.00 crore in 2012-13 for construction of 30.09 lakh houses.